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SUBJECT: SENGHOR REACTION TO REPORT ON MIS-USE OF U.S.
FOOD GRAIN AID

REF: DAKAR 686

1. REVIEW OF VOA BROADCASTS SINCE WEEKEND HAS FAILED TURN
UP ANY REFERENCE THIS SUBJECT.

2. CONGRESSMAN ASPIN'S OFFICE ISSUED PRESS RELEASE PAST
WEEKEND HIGHLY CRITICAL OF AID'S MANAGEMENT OF SAHEL
DROUGHT FOOD SHIPMENTS. ASPIN RELEASE CITED (INCORRECTLY
IN SOME PLACES) AND ELABORATED ON IGA INSPECTION REPORT
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DATED NOVEMBER 26, 1975. SPECIFIC PRESS RELEASE

REFERENCES TO SENEGAL ARE: (A) "FOOD WAS SENT TO SENEGAL AND GAMBIA WHEN SUPPLIES WERE ALREADY ADEQUATE. SOME AID-DONATED GRAIN ARRIVED WHEN IT WAS NO LONGER NEEDED"; (B) "FOOD WAS MALDISTRIBUTED WITHIN COUNTRIES. FOR INSTANCE, IN SENEGAL OVER 40 PERCENT OF THE 5,000 METRIC TONS WAS DISTRIBUTED IN THE CASAMANCE (WHERE FOOD SUPPLIES WERE ADEQUATE) AND VIRTUALLY NONE IN THE NEEDY NORTHERN AREAS IDENTIFIED BY AID. AND" (C) "SUBSTANTIAL QUANTITIES WORTH DOLS 250,000 OF EDIBLE OILS WERE SUPPLIED TO SENEGAL AND THE GAMBIA EVEN THOUGH THOSE COUNTRIES EXPORT 250,000 MT OF EDIBLE OIL EACH YEAR".

3. WASHINGTON POST CARRIED BACK PAGE DESCRIPTION OF ASPIN PRESS RELEASE WHICH FOCUSED ON CHARGES OF AID'S ALLEGED MISMANAGEMENT. THERE HAS BEEN NO SUBSEQUENT PRESS INTEREST.

4. RDOS AND CDOS HAVE COPIES OF IGA INSPECTION REPORT. SPECIFIC SENEGAL REFERENCES FOUND PAGES 20, 21, 22, 29, 33, 35, 39, 40, 41. REPORT SAYS NOTHING ABOUT FOOD GOING TO RELIGIOUS LEADERS.

5. AID'S RESPONSES TO IGA REPORT DID NOT ACKNOWLEDGE ANY BLATANT MISHANDLING OF EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO SENEGAL.

6. SUGGEST THAT IN REPLYING TO ANY POSSIBLE GOS INQUIRY THAT YOU STATE THE NEWSBROADCAST IS OF UNKNOWN ORIGIN; THAT THERE WAS A NEWS RELEASE BY A CONGRESSMAN CRITICIZING AID PERFORMANCE AND NOT AIMED AT GOS; AND THAT THE NEWS ARTICLE MADE NO MENTION OF RELIGIOUS LEADERS.

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